

# Preface

This edited volume contains a selection of refereed and revised papers originally presented at the Sixth International Conference on Landscape Architecture to Support City Sustainable Development entitled “Megacities 2050: Environmental Consequences of Urbanization.” The conference was organized in RUDN University, Moscow, Russia, on September 12–14, 2016. The conference aimed to provide a platform for discussion between different target groups involved in city sustainable development: environmental scientists, landscape architectures, urban planners, and policy-makers. We would like to thank more than 150 participants and 65 speakers who contributed with plenary, oral, and poster presentations. We wish to express our special gratitude to the authors who contributed to these proceedings. The proceedings include an introduction and 17 research papers, which were selected by the scientific committee with additional help of external expert reviewers from 31 submissions. The authors were asked to consider the reviewers comments and make all necessary edits to improve the quality of the papers.

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We hope that these proceedings will serve as a valuable reference for researchers, practitioners, and policy-makers in the related fields.

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